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In re Application of:

Jeffrey D. SAFFER et al.

Application No.: 09/408,716

Filed: September 30, 1999

For: METHODS AND APPARATUS  
FOR DISPLAYING DISPARATE  
TYPES OF INFORMATION USING  
AN INTERACTIVE SURFACE MAP

) Group Art Unit: 2672

) Examiner: A. Blackman

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Sir:

**PETITION TO RESTART PERIOD FOR RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. § 710.06, applicants request that the period for reply to the Office Action dated August 5, 2002, be restarted in view of defects in the Office Action. This Petition is being filed within one month of the mailing date of the Office Action.

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) was filed in the case on April 17, 2002, in which 114 documents were brought to the attention of the Examiner. The filing was memorialized by a postcard, stamped by the Patent Office (a copy of which is submitted herewith). As indicated on the postcard, copies of the 114 documents were submitted with the IDS. Due to an apparent error by the Patent Office, the copies of the submitted documents were never provided to the Examiner. Therefore, during the subsequent examination of the application and preparation of the Office Action dated August 5, 2002, the Examiner was unable to examine the claims in light of numerous cited documents.

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Examiner: A. BLACKMAN

For: Method and Apparatus for Displaying Disparate Types of Information Using an Interactive Surface Map

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1. Information Disclosure Statement
  2. Form PTO-1449 and 114 documents
  3. Check for \$180.00



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